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Title

Juvenile Law: Legal Accuracy of Forms

Rules, Forms, Standards, or Statutes Affected Revise forms JV-180, JV-364, and JV-618

Recommended by

Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee Hon. Jerilyn L. Borack, Cochair Hon. Mark A. Juhas, Cochair Agenda Item Type

Action Required

Effective Date

January 1, 2020

Date of Report

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Executive Summary

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends revising three forms to comply with recent statutory changes reforming juvenile justice and out-of-home case processes in child welfare cases. In compliance with Senate Bill 190 (Mitchell; Stats. 2017, ch. 678), references to fees associated with probation conditions and out-of-home placement of a child will be removed from one juvenile justice form. Two child welfare related forms will be revised: one to include required title IV-E findings and the other to comply with permanency goals established by Continuum of Care Reform (CCR).

Recommendation

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective January 1, 2020:

1. Revise *Waiver of Rights* (form JV-618) to delete the reference to payment of "fees" and reflect the correct Penal Code section related to firearm restrictions, which changed since the form was last revised;

- 2. Revise *Termination of Dependency* (form JV-364) to clarify that the form is only to be used when the permanent plan achieved is adoption and to include two title IV-E findings, the reasonable efforts finding and the permanent plan finding; and
- 3. Revise *Request to Change Court Order* (form JV-180) to include a check box in item 2 that allows parents to request statutorily authorized resumption of services and to change gendered terms to nongendered terms.

The revised forms are attached at pages 4–9.

Relevant Previous Council Action

Effective January 1, 2018, the Judicial Council approved revisions to 18 juvenile law forms, including *Termination of Dependency* (form JV-364) and *Request to Change Court Order* (form JV-180), to bring them into compliance with by Senate Bill 794 (Stats. 2015, ch. 425), frequently referred to as Continuum of Care Reform (CCR).

Analysis/Rationale

The committee recommends revising form JV-618 to ensure it remains legally accurate. Currently, form JV-618 states that the child may be required to pay fees. However, SB 190 has rescinded the requirement that delinquent wards pay fees; therefore, the form must be revised. This form also contains a citation to an outdated Penal Code section related to firearm restrictions; hence, a revision is needed to reflect the current Penal Code section.

The committee recommends that form JV-364 be revised to include the title IV-E findings that are required to claim federal dollars, to ensure that gaps in funding do not occur. Such gaps are detrimental to the stability of placements. Consequently, to comply with the permanency goals established by CCR, it is important to ensure that juvenile forms do not have the potential to create funding issues. Under the federal statutory scheme, title IV-E funding is retroactive, which means that the findings the court makes at status review hearings are backward looking. For this same reason, whenever a case is dismissed, findings must establish that the agency complied with federal requirements for those months leading up to the dismissal. Form JV-364—which dismisses the dependency case—does not currently include those findings.

The committee recommends revising form JV-180 because CCR revised Welfare and Institutions Code section 366.22(a)(3) to include return home as a permanent plan option for children who are in out-of-home care when reunification services are terminated. Currently, form JV-180 does not include a check box to request that services be resumed. Due to the statutory change implemented by CCR, it is necessary to revise form JV-180 to reflect current law and provide a mechanism for parents to have their request for additional services heard.

¹ See title 42 United States Code section 671 et seq., which establishes guidelines for receipt of federal dollars for foster care.

While revising form JV-180 to comply with the law, the committee also recommends revising it to use the nongendered terms "parent' and "sibling" for mother, father, sister, and brother.

Policy implications

The recommended revisions to these three forms are consistent with the recent and ongoing movement to make juvenile justice less punitive and to focus on permanency and normalcy for both dependent and delinquent youth in out-of-home placement.

Comments

This proposal circulated for comment as part of the spring 2019 invitation-to-comment cycle from April 11 to June 10, 2019, to the standard mailing list for family and juvenile law proposals. Included on the list were appellate presiding justices, appellate court administrators, trial court presiding judges, trial court executive officers, judges, court administrators and clerks, attorneys, family law facilitators and self-help center staff, social workers, probation officers, Court Appointed Special Advocate programs, and other juvenile and family law professionals.

The committee received seven comments on this proposal. Four of the seven commenters agreed with the proposal and the remaining three agreed if slight modifications were made. A chart with the full text of the comments received and the committee's responses is attached at pages 10-21. Most of the comments suggested minor or technical changes, which the committee accepted without debate. Two commenters suggested revisions to form JV-618 that would change the plain language of the form. Because the wording on these forms was developed by a multidisciplinary working group to ensure accuracy and comprehension by young people, the committee declined to make changes that would substantially change the wording on the form.

Alternatives considered

Other than correcting minor typographical errors, alternatives were not considered because the proposed revisions to the forms are necessary to maintain their legal accuracy.

Fiscal and Operational Impacts

In implementing the revised forms, courts would incur standard reproduction costs and retraining of affected staff.

Attachments and Links

- 1. Forms JV-180, JV-364, and JV-618, at pages 4–9
- 2. Chart of comments, at pages 10–21

JV-180

Request to Change Court Order

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

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This form can be used to ask the court to change an order, to ask the court to dismiss your case, to ask the court to terminate reunification services, or to ask the court to recognize your relationship with your sister or brother. After filling out this form, take it to the clerk of the court.

1	Your information: a. I am the: child parent legal guardian sibling or other relative (specify): social worker probation officer attorney other b. My name: c. My address: d. My city, state, zip code:	Fill in court name and street address: Superior Court of California, County of
	e. My telephone number:	
	f. If you are an attorney:	Fill in child's name:
	My client's name: My client's address (if confidential, see item 3):	Name of Child:
		Clerk fills in case number when form is filed.
	My client's relationship to the child: My State Bar number:	Case Number:
3	If you want to keep your address or your client's address confidential, fill of	by marriage. Out Confidential Information (Request to
	Change Court Order) (form JV-182), and do not write the address on this form JV-182 is attached.	orm.
4	Child's information:	
	a. Name:	
	b. Date of birth:	
	c. Attorney (if known):	
	d. The child lives with or in a (check all that apply): parent legal guardian relative foster home group home I don't know	
	e. Name of the person the child lives with or the place where he or she live	es:
	Address:	
	☐ Check here if unknown.	

Nan	ne of child:	Case Number:						
5	Information about parents, legal guardians, and others: a. Names of parents or legal guardians:							
	(Check here if unknown.)	•						
	b. Address of parent/legal guardian: (Check here if unknown.)							
	c. Address of parent/legal guardian: (Check here if unknown.)							
	d. Indian tribe (if applicable and known):							
	CASA valuntaer (if applicable and known)							
	f. Educational rights holder (if applicable and known):							
	g. Social worker or probation officer (if applicable and known):							
	If you are asking the court to recognize your relationship with your sibling b order, you may skip to item 8.	ut not asking the court to change an						
6	On (date, if known): the judge made the following	g order that I think should be changed:						
. • /	What has happened since that order that might change the judge's mind? (Gi not have when the order was made):	ve new information that the judge did						
8	What new order or orders do you want the judge to make now?							
9)	Why would the requested order or action be better for the child?							
10	☐ Check here if you need more space for any of the answers. Attach a sheet of the page. Number of pages attached:	of paper and write "JV-180" at the top						

Nan	ne of child:					
11)	I have had a copy of my request sent to the peright of each name to show whether, as far as				e correc	t box to the
	If you do not have an attorney, the clerk will service under Welfare and Institutions	=	-	_	-	
	California Rules of Court.				Don't	Not
		Name	Agree	Disagree	Know	Applicable
	Child (if 10 years old, or older):					
	Child's attorney:					
	Parent:					
	Parent:					
	Legal guardian:					
	Legal guardian:					
	Social worker:					
	Probation officer:					
	Current caregiver/foster parent:					
	Preadoptive parent:					
	CASA volunteer:					
	Educational rights holder:					
	Indian tribe:					
	Indian custodian:					
	Sibling (if petition filed & 10+ years old):					
	Sibling's caregiver:					
	Sibling's attorney:					
	Attorney for parent/legal guardian:					
	Attorney for parent/legal guardian:					
	County counsel:					
	District attorney:					
	Other:					
12	You can ask the judge to make a decision wit request. <i>Check here</i> if you want a decision		ople nar	ned above	agree w	rith your
	request. Once where y you want a accesso	n minem a nearing.				
(13)	If anyone disagrees with your request, please	explain why (if known):				
(14)	I declare under penalty of perjury under the la and correct to the best of my knowledge.	nws of the State of California tha	it the inf	formation i	n this fo	orm is true
	Date:					
		•				
	Type or print name	 Signature				

Case Number:

				JV-364
ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY	STATE BAR NUI	MBER:	FOR COL	URT USE ONLY
NAME:				
FIRM NAME:				
STREET ADDRESS:			D	RAFT
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:		
TELEPHONE NO.:	FAX NO.:			proved by
E-MAIL ADDRESS:			the Judi	cial Council
ATTORNEY FOR (name):				
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUN	TY OF			
STREET ADDRESS:			JUVENILE DEPENDENCY O	:ASE NUMBER:
MAILING ADDRESS:				
CITY AND ZIP CODE:				
BRANCH NAME:				
CHILD'S NAME:				
TERMINATION OF DEI	PENDENCY FOR A	DOPTION		
The county agency has complied with the the permanent placement of the child. The permanent plan of adoption has been		reasonable efforts t	o complete whatever steps	are necessary to finalize
DEPENDENCY AND JUVENILE COURT				INATED.
ORDER FOR REVIEW HEARING SET O	N (DATE):	IS	S VACATED.	
Date:				
			JUDICIAL OFFICER	

ATTO	RNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY	STATE BAR N	UMBER:	FOR COURT USE ONLY	
NAME	i:			1 111 11 3.1-	
FIRM	NAME:				
STRE	ET ADDRESS:				
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP CODE:		
TELEF	PHONE NO.:	FAX NO.:			
	IL ADDRESS:			DRAFT	
ATTO	RNEY FOR (name):			Not approved by	,
SUP	ERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COU	NTY OF		the Judicial Counc	
	EET ADDRESS:			the Judicial Counc	JII
	ING ADDRESS:				
	AND ZIP CODE:				
В	BRANCH NAME:				
CH	HILD'S NAME:				
	WAIVER OF RIGH	ITS—JUVENILE <mark>J</mark> I	JSTICE	CASE NUMBER:	
	Read this form carefully. The ju	ıdge will ask you if y	ou understand each r	ight and if you want to give up that ri	ght.
1.	am the child in this case. My attorne	ey's name is:			
tl a	he District Attorney would have to pr a. admit the charge(s), which plead no contest, which me	rove at a trial and the province at a trial and the province and that I am agree ans that I do not wan	possible ways to fight m eing that I did what the t to fight my case at a ti	-	the petition
3. [The charge(s) I am admitting c			you have a question about an item, a	sk vour
	rney or the judge before you initia		opiloo to your oucor ii	you mare a quoenem about an nom, a	on you.
4. I	understand the following consequence	uences of mv admis	sion:		Initial
	a. If I plead no contest or submit the	-		find that the petition is true.	muai
	-	for my admitting to the	ese charges is a commi	itment (to be locked up) at the Division	
C	 If I am not a United States citizen (be deported) and never allowed 			n that I will have to leave the country I to become a United States citizen.	
d	 If I am declared a ward of the cou or having in my custody or contro 	urt, a violation of:	will	prohibit me from owning, possessing,	
6	e. The court may order that my drive	• •	. , , ,	•	-
f.			,		-
•	Penal Code section 186.30				
	Penal Code section 780.30				
g		d I may have to pay fo		urt others and caused them to lose	
	Naiver of Rights. I understand that I	I have all of the rights	below and that by adm	itting the charge(s) in the petition, or ple	ading
	no contest, I will not have a trial or he				Initial
	attorney has enough evidence to	prove that I did what	the petition says I did.	the evidence and decide if the district	
b	of the people who provided inform	nation that is written in		e officer who wrote the report, and any	
C	c. The right to testify or speak up fo	r myself in court.			
d	d. The right to be silent and not say	anything that might h	urt myself or my case.		
e	The right to have witnesses come	e to court, even if they	don't want to, and talk	to the judge about my case.	
f.	•				
				- : -: :	Page 1 of 2

CHILD'S NAME:	CASE NUMBER:
6. My attorney has explained that when I admit to: as: , I will have crime(s) on my record that are "S talked with my attorney about what this could mean in my future ar prison if I get in trouble again because I am admitting to these offe	
7. I have talked to my lawyer about the charge(s) in the petition, the f We have talked about what could happen if I admit, including what	
I declare under penalty of perjury, which means that I am guilty of a cr me, explained what it means, and answered my questions. I understar of my admission, and I am admitting to doing what the petition says be this.	nd the rights I am giving up, I know what could happen because
Date:	
)
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	(SIGNATURE OF CHILD)
DECLARATION OF	INTERPRETER
The primary language of the child is	
Spanish. other (specify):	
I certify that I interpreted this form for the parent or legal guardian in the	nat person's primary language to the best of my ability.
Date:	
	•
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	(SIGNATURE OF INTERPRETER)
DECLARATION C	OF ATTORNEY
I am the attorney for the child. I have explained and discussed with my defenses, and the consequences of his or her decision to enter an ad that his/her admission to the petition is knowingly, intelligently, and vo	mission. Based on my conversation with the minor, I am satisfied
Date:	
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY)
	ID FINDING
I have spoken with the child, reviewed the waiver form, and find that the consequences of the admission in this case and understands ther voluntarily waived his/her rights and that there is a factual basis for the	m. I further find that the child has knowingly, intelligently, and
IT IS ORDERED that the minor's admission be accepted and entered form is filed in the records of this court and incorporated in the above-	
Date:	
	JUDICIAL OFFICER

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	Commenter	Position	Comment	Committee Response
1.	California Lawyers Association Executive Committee of the Family Law Section By: Saul Bercovitch, Director of Governmental Affairs Sacramento, CA	A	FLEXCOM agrees with this proposal.	No response required.
2.	Joint Rules Subcommittee of TCPJAC/CEAC	AM	The JRS notes that the proposal is required to conform to a change of law. The proposal should be implemented to also comply with federal mandates for reimbursement of funds and to avoid disruption in services for youth.	No response required.
3.	Superior Court of Los Angeles County	A	Request for Specific Comments Does the proposal appropriately address the stated purpose? -Yes, the proposal addresses the stated purpose. Would the proposal provide cost savings? If so, please quantify. -We do not anticipate cost savings.	No response required. While this proposal may not result in costs savings, nor is it anticipated to result in additional costs.
			What would the implementation requirements be for courts—for example, training staff (please identify position and expected hours of training), revising processes and procedures (please describe), changing docket codes in case management systems, or modifying case management systems? Would three months from Judicial Council	No response required. No response required.
			approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation? -Yes, three months would be sufficient.	

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4.	Superior Court of Orange County	AM	Rule 5.730 Adoption Currently, the rule does not mention findings are required to claim federal funding. It is recommended that Title IV-E be cross referenced in the rule.	The rule is not currently part of this proposal. Amending the rule would necessitate circulating it for comment. The committee declines amending the rule at this time but will make note of the suggestion for future revisions to the rule.
			Waiver of Rights – Juvenile Delinquency (JV-618) ■ It is recommended the form be retitled to, Waiver of Rights – Juvenile Justice. This would be consistent with other Judicial Council juvenile forms that have been revised to replace the word "delinquency" with "justice". For example, the Juvenile Justice Court – Information for Parents (JV-060-INFO) form.	The committee agrees with this recommendation and will change the title of the form.
			• For section 2a, replace the word "agreeing" with "admitting" to be consistent with language used within the section.	The committee appreciates this suggestion. However, the committee declines to make the recommended revision because the wording on these forms was developed by a multidisciplinary working group after reviewing local forms to ensure accuracy and comprehension by youth.
			■ For section 4b, it is recommended that a field be added at the end of the sentence that reads, " months/years" to indicate the maximum amount of time the youth could be committed.	The committee agrees that it would be clearer to include "months/years" at the end of item 4b and will make that change.

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		• For section 4f, it is recommended the sentence be revised to read, "I may be required to register to be listed in a database under:"	The committee agrees that it would be clearer to include the proposed language in item 4f.
		• For section 4g, "medical expenses" should be added as one of the items parents or legal guardians may have to pay for. Also, are juveniles subject to penalty and assessments on fines and fees? If so, it should be added as well.	Item 4g was revised purely to comply with SB 190; these suggested revisions are beyond the scope of this proposal.
		• For section 5c, it is recommended the sentence be revised to, "The right to testify or speak up for myself in court after I have sworn to tell the truth."	The committee appreciates this suggestion. However, the committee declines to make the recommended revision because the wording on these forms was developed by a multidisciplinary working group after reviewing local forms to ensure accuracy and comprehension by young people.
		• For section 5e, replace the word "come" with "ordered".	As stated above, these forms were developed to be written in a more plain language style that would be accurate and more understandable to young people.
		• On page two, it is recommended the first sentence of the declaration be revised to, "I declare under penalty of perjury, which means I could be charged and punished for lying under oath, that my attorney has gone	Please see the response to the previous two comments.

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			 over this form with me, explained what it means, and answered my questions. It is recommended that a Declaration of Prosecutor be added to page two. This would allow the prosecutor to sign the form when a disposition is negotiated. 	This proposed revision is beyond the scope of this proposal.
			Request for Specific Comments Would the proposal provide a cost savings? -No, the proposal would not provide a cost savings.	While this proposal may not result in costs savings, nor is it anticipated to result in additional costs.
			What would the implementation requirements be for courts? -Judges and staff would be notified of the changes in the rule and forms. Procedures may also require revision.	The committee agrees that these are the likely implementation requirements.
			Would three months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation? -Yes, three months would be sufficient time for implementation.	No response required.
5.	Superior Court of Riverside County By: Susan Ryan Chief Deputy – Legal Services	A	Does the proposal appropriately address the stated purpose? Waiver of Rights (JV-618)-Yes, the proposal would make this form more accurate pursuant to SB-190 by removing reference to the "payment of fees" in item 4g as minors are no longer ordered to pay fees associated with out-of-home	No response required.

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		placement, drug testing, or home detention programs. Termination of Dependency in Adoption (JV-364)	
		Yes, adding the Title IV-E findings of "reasonable efforts" and "permanent plan finding" will the make the form comply with requirements for federal funding and Continuum of Care Reform ("CCR").	No response required.
		Request to Change Court Order (JV-180) Yes, adding the box in item 2 to request a resumption of unification services pursuant to WIC 366.3(f) will make the form legally accurate because CCR revised WIC 366.22(a)(3) to include "return home" as a permanent plan option for children in out-of-home care when reunification services are terminated.	No response required.
		Would the proposal provide cost savings? No.	While this proposal may not result in costs savings, nor is it anticipated to result in additional costs.
		What would the implementation requirements be for courts? Implementation would be minimum. Would need to inform judicial officers, staff and justice partners of the updates to the JCC forms (JV-618, JV-364 and JV-180).	The committee agrees that these will be the implementation requirements.
		Would three months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date	No response required.

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			provide sufficient time for implementation? Yes How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes? The same notification of the form updates would likely need to occur in any size court. The proposals should work well for courts of any size.	The committee agrees with the assessment that implementation of this proposal will not vary based on court size.
6.	Superior Court of San Bernardino County Executive Office 247 W. Third Street, 11 th Floor San Bernardino, CA 92415-0302 909-708-8747 ExecutiveOffice@sb-court.org	A	Form JV618 – Waiver of Rights – Optional form – it is like a plea bargain – it has information on advising them of their rights, immigration, sex offender, etc. Comment: 4 (g) – should this say restitution in lieu of what is described in this section? Form JV364 – Termination of Dependency in Adoption – Mandatory Form which now includes Title IV Findings as to Reasonable efforts and permanent plan to ensure that the form contains the required federal findings. Also the title was changed to clarify that the form is only to be used when the permanent	Item 4(g) is being revised purely to comply with SB 190. This is an accurate statement of the revisions proposed. No further response required.
			plan was achieved in adoption. Form JV180 – Request to Change Court Order – Adds check box for resumption of reunification services. It is also proposing to use the nongendered terms "parent" and "sibling" for mother, father, sister and brother. Request for Specific Comments • Does the proposal appropriately address the stated purpose? Yes	This is an accurate statement of the revisions proposed. No further response required. No response required.

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			Would the proposal provide cost savings? No	While this proposal may not result in costs savings, nor is it anticipated to result in additional costs.
			 What would the implementation requirements be for courts – for example, training, staff (please identify position and expected hours of training), revising processes and procedures (please describe), changing docket codes in case management systems, or modifying case management systems? JV618 - Notify judicial officers, justice partners, court staff; add to procedures as JV364 – Notify judicial officers, justice partners, court staff; add to adoption procedures/dependency procedures JV180 – Inform judicial officers, court staff – information only 	The committee agrees that these will be the implementation requirements.
			• Would three months from Judicial Council approval of this proposal until its effective date provide sufficient time for implementation? Yes	No response required.
			• How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes? It should be the same no matter the size of the court	The committee agrees with the assessment that implementation of this proposal will not vary based on court size.
7.	Superior Court of San Diego County By: Mike Roddy Executive Officer	AM	1. Does the proposal appropriately address the stated purpose? Yes.	No response required.
			2. Would the proposal provide cost savings? Yes.	No response required.

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		3. What would the implementation requirements be for courts? Informing bench, staff, and attorneys of changes.	The committee agrees that these will be the implementation requirements.
		4. Would three months provide sufficient time for implementation? Yes.	No response required.
		5. How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes? Probably very well.	The committee agrees with the assessment that implementation of this proposal will not vary based on court size.
		<u>Form JV-618</u>	
		Title: Change "DELINQUENCY" to "JUSTICE."	The committee has made this change and some of the minor revisions for clarity listed below, as noted. The committee declines to make all the
		WAIVER OF RIGHTS – JUVENILE DELINQUENCY <u>JUSTICE</u>	suggested revisions because the wording on these forms was developed by a multidisciplinary working group after reviewing local forms to
		Page 1, Item 2.a.: Add "I did" (for consistency with item 2.b.) and additional suggested edits to simplify language.	ensure accuracy and comprehension by young people.
		admit the charge(s), which means that I am agreeing that I did what the petition says I did.	
		Page 1, Item 2.b.: Additional suggested edits to simplify language.	
		plead no contest, which means that I do not want to fight my case at a trial, but I'm do not agreeing that I did what the petition says I did.	
	Commenter	Commenter Position	3. What would the implementation requirements be for courts? Informing bench, staff, and attorneys of changes. 4. Would three months provide sufficient time for implementation? Yes. 5. How well would this proposal work in courts of different sizes? Probably very well. Form JV-618 Title: Change "DELINQUENCY" to "JUSTICE." WAIVER OF RIGHTS – JUVENILE DELINQUENCY JUSTICE Page 1, Item 2.a.: Add "I did" (for consistency with item 2.b.) and additional suggested edits to simplify language. admit the charge(s), which means that I am agreeing that I did what the petition says Idid. Page 1, Item 2.b.: Additional suggested edits to simplify language. plead no contest, which means that I do not want to fight my case at a trial, but I'm do not agreeing that I did what the

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Commenter	Position	Comment	Committee Response
		Page 1, Item 4: Add "or plea."	
		I understand the following	
		consequences of my admission or plea:	
		Page 1, Item 4: Additional suggested edits to	
		simplify language.	
		I understand the following	
		consequences could happen because of my admission or plea:	
		Page 1, Item 4.c.: Add "be."	
		and never <mark>be</mark> allowed to return	
		(exclusion) and/or never be allowed to become a United States citizen.	
		become a Officed States cruzen.	
		Page 1, Item 4.f .: Add "member."	
		Penal Code section 186.30 (gang member).	
		Page 2, Item 6: Change "crime(s)" to "one or	
		more crimes.	
		I will have <u>one or more</u> crime (s)s on	
		my record that are "Strike" offenses under the Three Strikes Law.	
		Page 2, declaration: Suggested edit.	
		1 age 2, deciar adon: Suggested edit.	
		and I am admitting to doing what the	
		petition says <u>I did</u> because I want to	

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		Page 2, declaration of interpreter: Suggested edits for consistency and accuracy. The primary language of the child youth is I certify that I interpreted this form for the parent or legal guardian youth in that person's the youth's primary language to the best of my ability. Page 2, declaration of attorney: Suggested edit for consistency. I am the attorney for the child youth Based on my conversation with the minor my client, I am satisfied Page 2, order and finding: Suggested edits for consistency. I have spoken with the child youth, reviewed the waiver form, and find that the child youth has been fully informed of the constitutional rights and the consequences of the admission in this case and understands them. I further find that the child youth has knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily waived his/her rights and that there is a factual basis for the minor's youth's admission.	The committee agrees that "minor" should be revised to either "child" or "my client."

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		IT IS ORDERED that the minor's youth's admission be accepted and entered in the minutes of this court	
		<u>Form JV-364</u>	
		First two sentences: Add "court finds the" to ensure title IV-E compliance.	
		The court finds the county agency has complied with the case plan by making reasonable efforts to complete whatever steps are necessary to finalize the permanent placement of the child.	
		The court finds the permanent plan of adoption has been achieved.	
		N.B.: CRC 5.730(g) will need to be amended to reflect the new name of this form.	
		If the petition for adoption is granted, the juvenile court must dismiss the dependency, terminate jurisdiction over the child, and vacate any previously set review hearing dates. A completed <i>Termination of Dependency for Adoption</i> (<i>Juvenile</i>) (form JV-364) must be filed in the child's juvenile dependency file.	
		<u>Form JV-180</u>	
		Page 2: Suggested edits.	

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		Remove the closed parentheses in items 5 a, b, and c.	
		Change "brother or sister" to "sibling" for consistency.	The committee agrees with this revision and will make the change.